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For Immediate Release:

EASTERN ALUM ASSUMES NEW POSITION AT EIU

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University graduate/instructor Morris Miller of Mattoon has been selected as acting director for off-campus and contract programs.

He replaces Thomas Hawkins who is taking a one-year leave of absence.

As acting director, Miller will administer all aspects of Eastern's off-campus credit programs and serve as a liaison between the university and its publics. He will be responsible for the marketing and promotion of all activities within the unit, as well as the provision of services which support adult students.

"I am very pleased to have Mr. Miller serving in the capacity as acting director of off-campus and contract programs," said William C. Hine, dean of the School of Adult and Continuing Education. "Mr. Miller has two degrees from Eastern, has taught on- and off-campus classes and has a strong interest in and is very supportive of lifelong

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learning. He brings strong administrative skills to the position."

Miller received both his Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree and his master of science in family and consumer sciences from Eastern, 1996 and 1997, respectively. He began teaching at the university through the School of Family and Consumer Sciences in September 1997, and later expanded his teaching to include classes at various off-campus sites.

Immediately prior to coming to Eastern, Miller spent several years in Nebraska working within the private sector, serving as sales representative, franchise owner, sales manager/consultant and public relations director.